

City of Benbrook CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

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7/2/2020	G-2472	Water Authority for Residential Refuse and Storm Water Utility Fee Billing and Payment Collection Services	1 of 1

Background

Through an Interlocal Agreement (ILA), the City of Benbrook contracts with the Benbrook Water Authority (BWA) to bill and collect residential refuse and storm water utility accounts. Because the BWA already bills these customers for water and sewer service, an economy of scale is created that benefits the City, the Authority, and ultimately the citizens of Benbrook.

Proposed Interlocal Agreement

The proposed ILA establishes a reimbursement to the BWA of 49.58 cents per bill. This amount is identical to last year.

In addition, the City is assessed its proportionate share of the credit card processing fee for residents paying with credit cards. BWA processes credit card payments through a merchant services provider. The provider charges a percentage (normally between 1.5% and 3%) on each transaction based on the type of card and transaction.

The term of the proposed ILA is one year, beginning October 1, 2020 and ending September 30, 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that City Council authorize the Interlocal Agreement with the Benbrook Water Authority for residential refuse and storm water utility fee billing and payment collection services.

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CITY MANAGER		